

Administrative Services Department

City of Frisco, Texas

Memorandum

To: Honorable Mayor Jeff Cheney and Members of the Frisco City Council

Cc: Wes Pierson, City Manager

Ben Brezina, Assistant City Manager

From: Daniel Ford, Director of Administrative Services

Date: April 18, 2023

Subject: Consider and act upon approval of a purchase order to Knox

Company for the purchase of emergency rapid entry equipment for

the Police Department. (Police/DF)

Action Requested: City Council approval of a purchase order to Knox Company for the purchase of emergency rapid entry equipment for the Police Department in the amount of \$90,435.

Background Information: Sole source expenditure for products and services from Knox Company as allowed by chapter 252.022 (a) (7) of the Texas Local Government Code. Knox Company is the sole source for Knox Box devices used throughout the City on businesses and multi-family complexes. This request is for one hundred KeyDefender assemblies and brackets. This a compact key control system specifically designed for use in passenger vehicles and provides secure charging and communication for one Knox eKey and one mechanical access key. These keys allow officers to have immediate access to a Knox Box for businesses, schools, and multi-family complexes without waiting for either the fire department or a supervisor to arrive to access the area. Officers will only use this in emergency situations where time is of essence, and they cannot gain access by other means. The total cost of these devices is \$90.435.

Financial Considerations: Funding is available through the Department of Justice Emergency Access to Multi-Family Complexes Grant.

Legal Review: N/A.

Alternatives: City Council could choose not to approve this purchase order at this time.

Supporting Documents: Knox Company quote and sole source letter.

Staff Recommendation: Staff recommends approval of this item.